

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1, 3-6, 9-11 and 13-17 are pending in the application. All of these claims have been allowed however the examiner has requested claims 9, 13, and 15-17 be revised as set out in item 3 of the Official Action. The appropriate changes have been made to these claims.

Claim 2 has been canceled for the reason indicated in item 3 a. of the Official Action.

Submitted concurrently herewith is a new Terminal Disclaimer containing the appropriate terminology which is not that used in the Disclaimer filed November 23, 2009.

These submissions should place the entire application in condition for allowance. If this is not the case and/or the examiner requires further information, please contact the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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